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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I am what is commonly known as a "glove box" user. This means I seldom make calls on my cell phone and generally only own it as a kind of insurance against problems encountered while traveling in my car. My mother also owns a cell phone for this purpose, and in fact has never used hers at all. Users like us are already paying a lot of money simply to have the service available. Why should we be required to underwrite the costs of other people who use their cell phones all the time? The kid who has a cell phone at school and uses it all day long to chat with his buddies, the businessman who is in constant conversation with his customers (even while driving!)? The rates should be tied to useage --that is the only fair way to do it.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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